

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 126

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Police Chief Bobby Williamson of Dyersburg on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Williamson is one such estimable person who has served the City of Dyersburg with distinction for forty-nine years, thirty-six of which have been spent as Police Chief; and

WHEREAS, Chief Williamson has recently taken a much deserved retirement; friends and officials from across Tennessee including Memphis, Knox County, and Johnson City attended a reception in his honor; and

WHEREAS, a fireman for six years before joining the municipal police force, Chief Williamson has served as Chair of the Public Safety Committee for Fire and Police and has also been a member of the POST Commission; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Williamson is a charter member and past President of the Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police, from which he received a Leadership Award named in his honor; and

WHEREAS, because of his innovative spirit, the Dyersburg Police Force was accredited during his tenure as Chief; and

WHEREAS, Chief Williamson is an active and important part of his community and his profession, participating in numerous worthy organizations, including Habitat for Humanity; and

WHEREAS, Chief Williamson exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Police Chief Bobby Williamson has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues and a grateful public; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we commend Police Chief Bobby Williamson for the respect he has earned through his service to the citizens of Dyersburg and our great State and extend to him our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.